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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Examiner:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 23, 2005 in the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the accompanying remarks. Applicants request a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action extending the due date for response to February 23, 2006. The due date for response was set to expire on November 23, 2005. Our check in payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is enclosed. Applicants believe that no additional fees are required with this response. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our Matter No. 3220-69262. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.